

WILSON HURLS HARPOON INTO COL. ROOSEVELT

President Mince No Words in Replying to Attacks of Former President.

"KNOWS HIS STANDARD"

In Address Before Immense Throng in Des Moines, Executive Faces Issue.

FEARS NO DANGER FROM WITHIN

Advocates Government Ownership of Munition Plants, But Would Change in Crisis.

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 1.—President Wilson tonight picked up the gauntlet hurled down by former President Roosevelt. Just as Col. Roosevelt has attacked him, so plainly that no one could mistake who was meant, President Wilson scorchingly criticized the former President. He did not mention his name, but there were few present who did not know who was the object of his remarks.

Faces Great Crowd.

"I know not what the standards of those men are, but I do know I cannot set to those standards."

The President's address tonight was delivered before the greatest crowd he has yet faced on his preparedness swing around the circle. He referred to the great crowd in his speech as evidence of the great interest in national defense.

"The message continually reaches me, 'We are counting upon you to keep this country out of war,' the President said. 'I have expended all my energy to do so.'"

The President strongly reiterated his declaration that "hyphenated Americanism" is a thing of the past.

"Dangers to our peace do not come any longer from within our own borders," he said. "I could not say that six months ago. Passion was astray then in this country. But the danger is past. America has regained her self-possession. No influence within America is going to disturb the peace of America."

MOHR DEFENSE RESTS; NEGROES GET RECESS

Attorneys for Alleged Murderers Say They Will Conclude Case Some Time Today.

By SOPHIE TREADWELL, special to The Washington Herald.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 1.—The defense of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr, accused of hiring three negroes to murder her husband, Dr. C. Franklin Mohr, on August 31 last, rested its case this morning. The lawyers for two of the accused negroes, Brown and Spellman, then began their uphill work of proving innocent the men who have many times confessed themselves to be guilty. At 3 o'clock they asked for a recess until tomorrow morning, to enable them to gather witnesses and groom Brown to take the stand in his own defense. The recess was granted.

The attorneys for the negroes say their case will be completed tomorrow afternoon. In spite of Mrs. Mohr's lawyer's assurances to the jury in his opening address, that there would be no "unwritten law" defense, more than half the time was given to establishing the slain man as a sort of monster with small right to live.

ONE KILLED IN AFFRAY.

Texas Men Battle in Galveston Office Building.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 1.—George A. McLarty, secretary of the Galveston Maritime Exchange, was killed and Robert C. Shaw, a former inspector, probably fatally wounded in an unwitnessed affray in an office in the Cotton Exchange building today.

AUSTRIAN AVIATORS CAPTURED.

Acroplane, Operating in Albania, Shot Down.

Rome, Feb. 1.—An Austrian acroplane which flew over Durazzo, Albania, on Monday and dropped manifestos to the inhabitants was shot down near Pazar Zjask. The aviators were captured.

Arnold Daly's Property Attached.

New York, Feb. 1.—Alleging that Arnold Daly, actor, had gone to Cuba, creditors have caused the attachment of his property here.

Russian Premier Resigns His Post.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Petrograd, Feb. 2.—Premier Goremykin has resigned. Ill health is given as the reason.

M. Sturmer, a member of the council of the empire, has been named as his successor.

STEEL MILLS OFFER ARMOR

Bethlehem and Midvale Companies Will Furnish Part of Naval Needs.

DANIELS SAYS COMBINATION HAS KILLED COMPETITION

Secretary Tells Senators U. S. Can Buy Plant Already Equipped for Making Plate.

Secretary Daniels stated to members of the Senate Navy Affairs Committee yesterday that, in his opinion, there is a combination among the manufacturers of armor plate and that competition in bidding has been destroyed. The Secretary was questioned by President Grace, of the Bethlehem company, and representatives of the Midvale company.

The hearings closed yesterday and a vote will be taken next Tuesday on the bill to authorize a government armor plate plant at a limit of cost of \$11,000,000.

The Bethlehem and Midvale companies submitted prices at which they agreed to furnish the armor required to carry out the Navy Department's building program for the next five years. The Bethlehem company offered to furnish one-third or more of the 24,000 tons annually at \$335 a ton. The Midvale company proposed to make up its full capacity, which is estimated to be 8,000 tons annually, at \$425.50 a ton. The Bethlehem company has reduced by \$30 a ton the price it quoted some months ago.

Mr. Grace told the members of the committee that if the government engages in the manufacture of armor plate the private manufacturers will go out of it.

Secretary Daniels intimated that the government would not be forced to build a plant to make armor, and stated that a private manufacturer had made an informal proposal to sell his plant to the Navy Department.

HAND GRENADES USED TO REPEL ATTACKERS

French Report Defeat of Germans East of Arras After Close-Up Fighting.

Paris, Feb. 1.—In Arras there was artillery fighting south of Hill No. 119. North of the road from St. Nicholas to St. Laurent, east of Arras, a German detachment tried to attack but was immediately stopped with hand grenades. French artillery bombarded the German positions on the Billie Road south of Belu, causing a fire followed by explosions.

Between the Avre and the Oise French artillery shelled the German trenches at Bauvaingnes and Presnieres, and fired on convoys in the direction of Lassigny.

IRON SAFE RESISTS EFFORTS OF ROBBERS

Screw Driver and Ax Prove Ineffective in Plot to Crack Strong Box.

An iron safe in the office of the William Davidson & Co., coal dealers, at 1215 Fourth street northeast, was damaged by robbers Monday night. A screw driver and an ax, used in a futile attempt to open the safe, were found in the office by employees yesterday morning. A knob on a door of the strong box had been broken off.

The company employs many colored laborers and it is among them police are investigating for clues leading to the identity of the burglars. It is supposed the robbers were frightened away by the company's wagon drivers, who reach the office about daylight.

DENIES GOEBEN INJURED.

Berlin Declares Vessel Not Damaged by Russians.

Berlin (by wireless), Feb. 1.—The Overseas News Agency today issued the following statement: "The Poldhu and Malta wireless services are circulating a Petrograd report that the cruiser Goeben, after an engagement with the Russian warship Imperatritza Maria, returned to port damaged and carrying 33 killed and 90 wounded. This whole report was invented. In an engagement on January 8 the Russian warship fired 300 shots, all of which missed. The Goeben was completely undamaged."

Three Fishing Boats Sunk.

London, Feb. 1.—The Belgian trawler Marguerite and English smack Radium have been sunk in the North Sea. Their crews were landed today.

Lowestoft, England, Feb. 1.—The fishing smack Hilda was sunk today. The crew was saved.

BERLIN FEARS U.S. MAY WAR

Germany Impressed with Gravity of Situation Over Lusitania Case.

TEUTONS ARE PUZZLED OVER ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY U. S.

People Bewildered by Wilson's Words That Nation Must Be Ready for War Tomorrow.

By AUGUSTUS F. BEACH. Berlin, Feb. 1.—After being apparently settled to the satisfaction of both governments, the sinking of the Lusitania once more looms on the horizon of international tranquility to disturb to the straining point the relations between the United States and Germany.

Until yesterday the feeling prevailed in Germany that the matter of the Lusitania as an element of friction had become a thing of the past. The Germans, however sure they may have been of the justice of the deed as measured by rights and principles, have never been proud of sinking the Cunarder with the attendant loss of neutral lives.

It may be said with absolute and unquestioned authority that Germany was thankful when announcement was made that the controversy with America had been adjudicated by the German government agreeing to make full reparation for the neutral loss entailed, that is as full reparation as was possible, where the loss of human lives was involved.

Suddenly, today, a new situation of immense gravity exists. Yesterday came news of a hitch in the negotiations, and to complicate matters, press reports of an address by President Wilson in which he declared, or was reported to have declared, that the United States must be prepared for war tomorrow—the day after tomorrow, but tomorrow.

According to reports that reached Germany, the President made it clear that he was not using a figure of speech, but was speaking of war as a possible pending actuality.

The attitude of the German empire as expressed by the best thought of its people may be said to be one of bewilderment, not yet of aggressive hostility, but of puzzled wonderment as to the motives of the United States.

Germans Tell Of Air Raids

Admiralty Officially Announces Damage Done in Attack on England.

Berlin, via Sayville, Feb. 1.—The German admiralty today issued the following report:

"A German airship squadron during the night of January 31 to February 1 dropped a large number of incendiary bombs on and near the Liverpool and Birkenhead docks, harbors, and factories; also on the Manchester Iron Works and blast furnaces, on Nottingham and Sheffield factories and blast furnaces, and finally, on a large number of industrial establishments on the Humber and near Great Yarmouth."

Paris, Feb. 1.—The government today refused to permit a debate in the chamber of deputies on the Zeppelin raids and the general condition of French aviation.

Replying to Deputy Degeante, of the department of Paris, War Minister Gallieni said discussion was undesirable because it was vital not to give the enemy important military information.

Berlin, Feb. 1.—A German airship has bombarded the Allies' ships and stores at Saloniki with great success, the war office announced today.

RUMANIA MAY ENTER WAR WITH THE ALLIES

Austria Said to Be Fearful of Further Complications in Balkan Situation.

London, Feb. 1.—A dispatch to the Telegraph from Rome says: "According to the Rumanian colony in Rome, Rumania in March will take the field on the side of the allies."

Milan, Feb. 1.—The attitude of Rumania is declared by Vienna and Budapest to be giving great concern to Austria-Hungary.

"The Rumanian army is being rapidly equipped with everything necessary for a campaign. Consignments of horses have already arrived at Galatz.

M. Reni, influential Rumanian, declares that sentiment in favor of the allies has been greatly increased lately.

Panama "Expo" Opens.

Panama, Feb. 1.—The Panama Exposition, commemorating the discovery of the Pacific Ocean by Balboa, and the building of the Panama Canal, was opened today.

Citizens Praise The Herald For Victory in School Fight

Civic Leaders Jubilant Over Action of District Committee in Killing Commissioners' Scheme—Gratified at Championing of Cause by This Newspaper.

The Washington Herald and the citizens of the District yesterday won a signal victory in the interests of the National Capital, when the District Committee tabled the proposal of the Commissioners for the abolition of the present Board of Education and the assumption of complete control of the school system. The action marks the end of consideration of the proposed plan at this session.

Citizens were jubilant last night over the defeat of the Commissioners' radical plan and lavish in their commendation of The Herald for its efforts in reflecting their wishes with respect to the question.

It was pointed out last night that The Herald was the first newspaper to oppose editorially the proposed plan; that it urged citizens' organizations to give the matter thorough and immediate investigation, and follow up this with firm and decisive action.

Blair Lauds The Herald. Henry P. Blair, president of the Board of Education, last night expressed extreme gratification at the action of the House District Committee.

"The Herald stood staunchly behind the people of the District in the position they took on the side of the Board of Education," he said, "and it helped the people win."

"The House District Committee deserves the warmest commendation for heeding the wishes of the people. Its action shows that when we present a

House Mum as To His Haste

Intimated Envoy Hurried from Berlin Because of Important Discovery.

By C. F. BERTELLI. Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Paris, Feb. 1.—Col. E. M. House, Col. Wilson's special emissary, when seen at the American embassy this afternoon, would not explain why he had quit Germany after four days instead of remaining ten, as he had intended.

Neither would he explain why he had not gone to Vienna according to the original plan.

Apparently the colonel got a jolt of some sort in Germany which speeded him up; he could not regain allied territory fast enough. The opinion in Paris is that he found out something which was of the utmost importance to the United States, but which he did not dare to attempt to communicate to Mr. Wilson by the German wires.

TAKES POISON TABLETS FOR HEADACHE REMEDY

Carpenter Swallows Fifteen Grains of Bichloride by Mistake. May Live.

Thomas Jacobs, 30, a carpenter, living at 223 Fourteenth and a-half street northeast, went to his medicine chest last night for a headache tablet. The ache was severe, so he decided to take three tablets instead of one. Jacobs returned to his easy chair and began reading. That was about 7:30 o'clock.

Some thirty minutes later, Jacobs paused in his reading as the thought occurred to him a package of poison tablets was next the headache powder in the chest. He decided to investigate.

Physicians at Casualty Hospital say it was a happy recollection that started Jacobs on the investigation. Had he postponed it or forgotten about it—Well, they pumped fifteen grains of bichloride of mercury out of him, and say he has a chance to live.

PANSIES ALL ABLUOM.

Dandelions Also Make Their Appearance in Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 1.—The dismal rain of yesterday's premature spring weather was relieved for Mrs. E. H. Benner, of 1910 Wayne street, Swissvale, when she discovered three pansies in the yard in the rear of her home, amid a batch of newly-sprouting grass. The plants had not been covered for the winter, and were in no way protected, Mrs. Benner said.

Another freak of the present warm weather, reported from Crafton, was that children plucked dandelions in vacant lots in Ingram and Steuben avenues, in Crafton and Ingram. Rose bushes and other shrubbery also were reported to be budding.

OIL CONCERNS UPHELD.

Quoting Not Right, Wyoming Judge Holds.

Chevenne, Wyo., Feb. 1.—Federal Judge Rinder rendered a decision today to the effect that the Federal government had no right to oust from oil lands concerns which were operating prior to President Taft's withdrawal order of September 27, 1908, although such concerns at that time had not discovered oil.

The decision affects millions of dollars worth of oil lands in Wyoming, California and other western States.

Thrilling Sea Record of the Liner Appam

Sailed from Dakar, West Africa, January 11 with 166 passengers and a crew of 154 bound for Plymouth, England.

Boarded by German sailors from armed merchantman off Moroccan coast January 15 and captured after bloody fight. Forced to take aboard passengers of other vessels captured by the Germans and to head across the Atlantic.

Meanwhile, reported in London to have foundered in gale or to have been torpedoed, lifeboat having been picked up.

After 3,400-mile dash past British patrols in the Atlantic reached Norfolk, Va., flying the German flag.

SHONTS AND WIFE TO PART

Terms Now Being Arranged for Legal Separation by Attorneys.

FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT PROVES STUMBLING BLOCK

Mrs. Shonts and Daughters Delay Trip to South—Family Is Well Known Here.

New York, Feb. 1.—Terms are being arranged for a legal separation between Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Shonts. Owing to the fact that the noted lawyer, Delancy Nicol, personal counsel for Mr. Shonts, has been called abroad, former Judge William M. K. Glott, representing Mrs. Shonts, has been unable to conclude negotiations which must be terminated before the filing of papers.

Mrs. Shonts, with her daughters, the Duchess De Chaulnes and Miss Marguerite Shonts, with the infant Duc De Chaulnes, occupy apartments in the Clarendon Hotel. They are well known in Washington.

Society friends have known for many months that the president of the Interboro Rapid Transit Company and his wife have maintained separate establishments. That a legal separation was being made, however, as a surprise. Papers have been passed back and forth between the principals for several weeks.

It is said the financial settlement is in controversy. Discussions of this detail may continue for two or three weeks.

Mrs. Shonts and daughters have delayed their annual trip to Aiken, S. C., and to her country place at Daphne, Ala., near Mobile, because of these negotiations.

Efforts were made to reach Mrs. Shonts today. The statement was made by her counsel that she was ill.

Mrs. Shonts married Miss Harriet Amelia Drake, daughter of Gov. Drake, of Iowa, in 1882. He is noted as a railroad man and transit expert. Much credit has been given him for the creative work on the Panama Canal. He came into national prominence in 1905 when President Roosevelt selected him as chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission.

100 GIRLS RESCUED FROM BURNING OFFICE

Firemen Carry Frightened Women From Seventh Floor of Kansas City Building.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 1.—Trapped on the fourth floor of the Western Union Telegraph Building, Seventh and Main streets, with fire raging at the top of the stairs, cutting off escape, 100 girl employees were rescued by firemen this afternoon.

The loss to the building was about \$30,000.

THIS FAMILY CLOSELY UNITED.

Father Becomes Step-father-in-law to His Son.

East Orange, N. J., Feb. 1.—James D. Barradale, councilman of East Orange, will be married on February 23 to Mrs. Lillian G. Thorpe, of that city, whose daughter is the wife of Mr. Barradale's son, James G. Barradale, Jr. By the wedding the official will be step-father-in-law to his son and step-father to his daughter-in-law and his bride to be will also have a double relationship to her son-in-law.

ALDRICH'S BROTHER DIES.

Was Leading Lawyer of Providence and a Democrat.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 1.—Clarence A. Aldrich, brother of the late Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, died at his home here today after a short illness from grip and complications. Mr. Aldrich was a leading lawyer in Providence, and for many years had been closely affiliated with the Democratic party.

Dropped in Coal Shaft.

Greenville, Pa., Feb. 1.—Sunk in water at the bottom of an abandoned coal shaft, weighted down by a sledge hammer and with a bullet hole in his head, the body of John Christy, of West Salem township, near here, was found by a searching party.

CRISIS FORCED ON U.S. BY BRINGING OF APPAM TO AN AMERICAN PORT

Whether Vessel Is Released or Interned, Warm Diplomatic Dispute Is Likely To Be the Aftermath.

GERMANS MAY SEEK TO STAY

Decision Likely to Have Strong Effect Upon Present Negotiations and Hardly Can Help Being Embarrassing to This Government—President Is Pleased.

Whether the United States government decides to intern the British steamer Appam, which arrived in Hampton Roads yesterday in charge of a German prize crew, or decides to release her and turn her over to the British owners, officials of the State Department are anticipating trouble.

Whichever way the decision goes, it is realized that a warm diplomatic dispute is in prospect either with Great Britain or Germany.

The indications at present are that the vessel will be interned, although officials are careful to say that such predictions are subject to modification in the light of material information yet to be received.

If the United States decides to intern her, it is stated, it will be either on the ground that the Appam, since capture, has been converted into a German naval auxiliary, or that the treaty of 1779, between Prussia and the United States, obligates this government to grant an asylum to German prizes.

SURRENDERED TO SAVE LIFE

Capt. Harrison, of Appam, Tried to Escape, But Shells Fell Too Close.

PRIZE VESSEL IS WORTH MORE THAN \$1,500,000

Capture Said to Have Been Made Off Canary Islands and Ship Traveled 4,200 Miles.

Special to The Washington Herald. Norfolk, Va., Feb. 1.—Looming up through the fog which curled the Virginia capes came in the early dawn today the steamer Appam. From her mast flew the German naval ensign. She was a German prize—captured somewhere on the high seas by a mysterious raider which already had sent seven British ships to the bottom.

The Appam was a British liner. She plied between the British Isles and West African ports. Two weeks ago she was reported missing. After a week it was considered certain that she had met with disaster at sea. It was almost impossible to carry her insurance. And now, tonight, thousands of miles from her chartered course, she is moored to a dock in Norfolk with twenty-two German officers and men standing guard, as they have for more than two weeks over a shipload of British officers, seamen and passengers.

The capture was made off the Canary Islands and the vessel crossed the Atlantic, a distance of approximately 4,300 miles, with a prize crew on board and a German commander on the bridge.

Among the persons on board the Appam were passengers taken from other British ships which had been sunk by the armed German tramp.

In command of the prize ship is a stout German named Berge. Before going on the ship he had been second in command of the Moeve, a ship of mystery. It came from "somewhere" and is "somewhere" now.

The Appam is a brand-new ship of 7,311 tons and with her cargo is valued at \$1,500,000. Her commander, when she left Dakar, Capt. H. G. Harrison, gave this story of the capture:

"On January 15, four days after the Appam left port, she was overhauled by a swift, but disreputable-looking tramp steamer near the Canary Islands. The tramp, which was recognized as German, opened fire, in the meantime signalling the Appam to heave to. The Appam tried to flee, but the shells from the tramp began falling on board, and when several persons had been wounded it was decided to give up."

SHOT DOG; SENDS \$20.

Man Fined for Offense Tells of Letting Dog Bite Received.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 1.—Charles Thon, of Verona road, near Sandy Creek, Pennsylvania, who was fined \$10 and costs at the instance of the Humane Society, for cruelty in needlessly shooting a dog, told Alderman McKinley yesterday that he had received an unsigned letter, which read:

"I was an interested spectator on the other side of the street at your hearing before Squire McKinley. It was I who shot the dog. Enclosed find \$20."

Gored by Bull; Sues.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Feb. 1.—John Walter, a powerful farm hand who tackled and failed to throw a 90-pound bull owned by St. Joseph's Normal College and who was gored several times, has sued the college for \$2,500 damages.

Wild Goose Scares Him.

Waynesboro, Pa., Feb. 1.—While Donald Weaver, a postman, was collecting the early mail in Waynesboro, he came near stumbling over a large wild goose in the grass near one of the mail boxes. When the goose flew up it nearly frightened the postman out of his boots.